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(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Utpal Ray

Application No.: 10/658,373

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Art Unit: 3763

For: AUTO-DESTRUCTIBLE, DISPOSABLE,
BIODEGRADABLE SYRINGE

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the election requirement, applicant hereby elects the Species A covered by Claims 1-4, and 6-17.

Claims 1-4, 6-10, 15 and 16, are dependent on generic Claim 1. Claims 11 and 13 are dependent on Claim 10, and Claims 12, 14 and 17 are dependent on Claim 11. All of the foregoing claims are covered by elected Species A.

Applicant's election is made without prejudice. As noted by the Examiner, upon the allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to not more than two species in addition to the elected species, provided that all claims to each additional species are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.146.

An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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